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**COMMENT SOUGHT ON PUERTO RICO TELEPHONE COMPANY PETITION FOR  
ELECTION OF PRICE CAP REGULATION AND FOR LIMITED WAIVER OF PRICING AND  
UNIVERSAL SERVICE RULES**

**WC Docket No. 07-292**

**COMMENTS DUE: January 21, 2008**

**REPLY COMMENTS DUE: February 5, 2008**

On November 19, 2007, Puerto Rico Telephone Company, Inc. (PRT) filed a petition seeking “election of price cap regulation no later than June 1, 2008, and, to the extent necessary, limited waivers of certain pricing and universal service high-cost support rules related to PRT’s election.”<sup>1</sup> Specifically, PRT proposes to “utilize the current post-CALLS price cap rate structure but would revise certain components in the CALLS order, through appropriate waiver relief, to accommodate PRT’s unique circumstances.” In particular, PRT proposes “to convert its switched access rates to the price cap access rate structure established in the CALLS order.” PRT’s petition states that “this would result in PRT reducing its average traffic sensitive (‘ATS’) switched access rates from approximately \$0.013 per minute to the ‘primarily rural price cap’ carrier target of \$0.0095 per minute using a transition process consistent with other CALLS companies.”<sup>2</sup> PRT proposes that its price cap special access rates “be initialized at current rate-of-return levels.”<sup>3</sup> PRT also proposes “to continue receiving Interstate Common Line [Universal Service Fund] Support (‘ICLS’), but recommends that the level of support be calculated on a per line amount as is the case with Interstate Access [Universal Service Fund] Support (‘IAS’) under CALLS.” PRT also proposes “that this per-line support be lost entirely when PRT loses an access line ...”<sup>4</sup>

Interested parties may file comments on or before **January 21, 2008**, and reply comments on or before **February 5, 2008**. Comments may be filed using: (1) the Commission’s Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), (2) the Federal Government’s eRulemaking Portal, or (3) by filing paper copies.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Petition of Puerto Rico Telephone Company, Inc., for Election of Price Cap Regulation and for Limited Waiver of Pricing and Universal Service Rules, WC Docket No. 07-292 (filed Nov. 19, 2007) at 1.

<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at 2-3.

<sup>3</sup> *Id.* at 3.

<sup>4</sup> *Id.*

<sup>5</sup> See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, GC Docket No. 97-113, Report and Order, 13 FCC Rcd 11322 (1998).

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All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Marlene H. Dortch, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. Parties should also send a copy of their filings to Douglas Slotten, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, Room 5-A235, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554, or by e-mail to [Douglas.Slotten@fcc.gov](mailto:Douglas.Slotten@fcc.gov). Parties shall also serve one copy with the Commission's copy contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc. (BCPI), Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW, Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554, (202) 488-5300, or via e-mail to [fcc@bcpiweb.com](mailto:fcc@bcpiweb.com).

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